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(805) 756-1511**Rooms With a View: Cal Poly's Cerro Vista Student Housing Complex Nearing Completion**

SAN LUIS OBISPO -- Cerro Vista, the 800-bed apartment-style student housing complex under construction at Cal Poly, is nearing completion.

Cal Poly Facilities Planning officials expect construction on the project to wrap up in mid-summer, with students moving in for the fall quarter in September. The 6-acre hillside complex overlooks the campus, and includes 201 four-bedroom, two-bath apartments which share a living room, kitchen and dining room.

Apartments are all approximately 1,000 square feet and rents range from \$550 to \$650, depending on the location and configuration of the apartment. Campus Dining has also announced plans to partner with Cal Poly's Department of Housing and Residential Life to open a convenience store in the Cerro Vista complex for student residents.

The store will be located in the Cerro Vista multipurpose and lounge buildings and will initially be open from 5 to 11 p.m.

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Cal Poly and San Diego State University currently offer the largest amount of on-campus housing in the CSU system. When Cerro Vista opens, Cal Poly will have a total of 3,583 on-campus student housing beds and San Diego State University will have 3,600 beds. However, the San Diego State number will drop to 3000 in 2004.

San Jose State University is the second largest provider of on-campus student housing with 1,800 beds. SJSU is expected to add housing accommodating up to 3,600 beds on campus in coming years.

But Cerro Vista is only the first phase of Cal Poly's long-range housing plan, created in 1996. The university is

currently working on plans for another, 2,700-bed apartment-style campus residential complex across Brizzolara Creek from Cerro Vista. Cal Poly officials are currently working with students, staff, faculty, architects, and project planners as well as project developer Capstone, Inc., on details for the Student Housing North project.

For more details on the [Student Housing North project](#), visit the [Facilities Planning Web site](#), scroll to the bottom of the page, and click on the "Student Housing North" link.

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